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SUBJECT: TALKS BETWEEN PORTUGUESE AND AFRICANS

REFERENCE: ADDIS ABABA 3472

FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY NEWSOM

1. YOU MAY RESPOND TO SAHNOUN ALONG FOLLOWING LINES AS
MESSAGE FROM NEWSOM.

2. I TOOK ADVANTAGE PRESENCE IN EUROPE VISIT PORTUGAL
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WHERE I HAD OPPORTUNITY DISCUSS AFRICAN ISSUES WITH PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF OVERSEAS, FOREIGN MINISTER AND FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIALS. PURPOSE WAS TO DISCUSS AFRICAN ISSUES DIRECTLY WITH PORTUGAL AND EXPLAIN U. S. POLICIES IN AFRICA.

3. MY IMPRESSION FOLLOWING VISIT IS THAT PORTUGUESE SEE DEVELOPMENT THEIR TERRITORIES IN TERMS INCREASING EDUCATION AND PARTICIPATION FOR AFRICAN POPULATION RATHER THAN IN TERMS MORE TRADITIONAL APPLICATION OF SELF- DETERMINATION. THEY STRESSED ATTITUDES WHICH PRECLUDED ANY CONTACTS WITH LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. AT SAME TIME I HAD IMPRESSION THEY

STRONGLY DESIRED BETTER RELATIONS WITH AFRICAN STATES AND OPPORTUNITY EXPLAIN AND DISCUSS IN DETAIL WITH AFRICAN STATES THEIR PRESENT AND FUTURE POLICIES. SO FAR AS I KNOW OFFER OF DISCUSSION WITH AFRICAN STATES OR OAU REMAINS REMAINS OPEN.

4. IN EXPLAINING U. S. POLICIES I EXPRESSED IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO U. S. RELATIONS WITH INDEPENDENT AFRICA AND OUR TRADITIONAL SUPPORT FOR PRINCIPLES OF SELF- DETERMINATION. I STRESSED DIFFICULTY AFRICANS HAD IN ACCEPTING PRESENT SITUATION IN PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES IN ABSENCE GREATER INDICATIONS POLITICAL EVOLUTION OF AFRICAN POPULATION. I STRESSED THAT SUCH MATTERS AS A PROPER DEFINITION OF SELF- DETERMINATION MUST BE SETTLED BETWEEN PORTUGAL AND THE AFRICAN STATES. WHAT IS MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH SIDES WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE UNITED STATES.

5. U. S. EARNESTLY DESIRES SEE CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED WHICH WILL PERMIT IMPROVED RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PORTUGAL AND AFRICAN STATES. ON BASIS MY VISIT LISBON I AM INCLINED BELIEVE SECRET EXPLORATORY CONTACT WITHOUT CONDITIONS ON EITHER SIDE MIGHT BE USEFUL TO BOTH.

6. FOR LISBON: REQUEST YOU INFORM FOREIGN OFFICE OF SAHNOUN' S APPROACH AND MY REPLY. ROGERS

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